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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

ROBERT B. MCADAMS

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 February 2010.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 22-51 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 22-51 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SI/22)
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office Action is in response to the amendment filed on February 16, 2010.
2. Claims 1-21 have been cancelled. Claims 22-51 are pending.

Response to Amendment

Terminal Disclaimer

3. The terminal disclaimer filed on 7/06/2009 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of 10/527,135 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded and rejection withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

4. The rejection of currently cancelled Claims 1-2 and 4-21 under 35 U.S.C. 101 are moot and therefore withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

5. The rejection of currently cancelled Claim 21 under 35 U.S.C. 112 is moot and therefore withdrawn.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 9/4/2009 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. The Applicant, on pages 16 and 17, argue that *Hesmer* does not teach a shared portlet application session object. The Examiner respectfully disagrees.

Hesmer discloses Context Parameters, such as Attributes, that are "common to all portlets within the portlet application. . .", see page 19. The Applicant gives an example of a default language being stored as French in the shared portlet application session object so all portlets can access said shared object and open in French. Similarly, *Hesmer* gives the example of the group of portlets sharing a context parameter called Webmaster that contains the portal site's email address, wherein each portlet could get the email address value from the shared session object to provide a "mailto" link within their individual portlet session, see Page 19.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

7. **Claims 22-51** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by *Hesmer* ("Portlet Development Guide" Edition 1.1, pp. 1-59 issued on January 30, 2002).

As to **Claims 22, 32 and 42**, *Hesmer* discloses initiating, by the portal server hardware system (**Portal Server. Section 2, Page 5**), a plurality of portlets (**Figure: Portlets in a Portlet Container; Section 2, Page 5**) associated with a portlet application (**Section 2.1, Portlets and Portlet Applications. Page 6**);

creating, by the portal server hardware system, a shared portlet application session object correspond to the portlet application (**Context Parameters, such as Attributes, are objects common to all portlets within the portlet application. PortletContext, Section 3.6. Page 19**); and

calling, by the portal server hardware system, a web application using the shared portlet application session object, wherein the shared portlet application session object accessible by and storing session data for each of the plurality of portlets associated with the portlet application (**In the example given in *Hesmer*, *Hesmer* discloses wherein the Portal Server calls the portlet application and each portlet to access a shared context parameter, "portlet application session object", wherein each portlet can access the stored session data containing webmaster data, wherein each portlet accesses said data to provide a mailto link within their own portlet. PortletContext, Section 3.6; Page 19**).

As to **Claims 23, 33 and 43**, *Hesmer*, further discloses receiving, by at least one of the plurality of portlets, user requests to access the web application (**User requests are received via the Portlet Request Object. Section 3.3. PortletRequest, Page 13**).

As to **Claims 24, 34 and 44**, *Hesmer*, further discloses a portlet application communication client, associated with the portlet application and linked to the shared portlet application session object, performs the calling (**Section 3.3 Portlet Request, Pages 12 and 13**).

As to **Claims 25, 35 and 45**, *Hesmer*, further discloses conveying, by the portlet application communication client, the user requests from the at least one of the plurality of portlets to the web application (**Attributes associated with requests are get, set and removed by the Portlet Request object. Section 3.3, Page 13**).

As to **Claims 26-27, 36-37 and 46-47**, *Hesmer*, further discloses storing, within the portlet application communication client, user session information (**User Session information is stored in Portlet Session Objects. Section 3.3 Portlet Request, Page 13**).

As to **Claims 28, 38 and 48**, *Hesmer*, further discloses mapping the user session information to a corresponding session of the web application (**User Session information is mapped using virtual instances. Section 3.7 Portlet Session, Page 21**).

As to **Claims 29, 39 and 49**, *Hesmer*, further discloses storing, within the portlet application session object, parameters from the user requests (**Portlet Sessions hold**

user-specific data for the virtual instance of the portlet. Section 3.7 Portlet Session, Page 21).

As to **Claims 30, 40 and 50**, *Hesmer*, further discloses storing, by the plurality of portlets, data and instructions from the user requests to a portlet request parameter map (**Data and instructions are stored in Portlet Data Objects. Section 3.3, Page 13**).

As to **Claims 31, 41 and 51**, *Hesmer*, further discloses matching session timeouts between the portal server and the web application by re-authenticating a user upon the web application timing out before the portal server (**User authentication is stored and able to used for re-authentication. Section 7 Using Single Sign-On, Pages 55-56**).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ROBERT B. MCADAMS whose telephone number is (571)270-3309. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 5:30am-4pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rupal Dharia can be reached on 571-272-3880. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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